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Won Victory and Land.

After thirteen years of litigation T. W. Potter, Superintendent of the United States Indian Training School of Salem, acquires title to a valuable claim adjoining the city of El Reno, Okla., a thriving and growing city of 10,000 inhabitants.

Mr. Potter was working for the Government among the Cheyenne and Arapahoe Indians, when in April, 1889, the first opening of Oklahoma lands occurred. On the morning of the opening he was detailed as special chief of police, in charge of twenty-five Indian policemen, and had special instructions to guard the boundary line south of the North Canadian River, where 2000 hungry and excited boomers were camped and ready to make the run at the signal given.

Two hours before noon of that day a party of cowboys and would be bad men arrived, determined to ignore orders, enter the territory and take position for the race about a quarter of a mile inside of the line.

This Mr. Potter objected to, and, being an old cowboy himself, he could not be bluffed by their threats. With tact and firmness he rounded up the rebels.

At 12 o'clock the cannon fired the signal shot and thousands of wild and excited horsemen were racing for their lives and claims.

Mr. Potter's duties as an officer of the Government ceased at 12 oclock, and at that time he was on the line outside the territory. At the given signal he spurred his swift horse and made the race of his life. Being a fearless and experienced rider, he led the crowd, dismounted and drove his stake on the claim. A cavalry sergeant named Hall, of the regular army, was second in the race, and Hall and Mr. Potter have fought the fight to a finish.

Owing to Mr. Potter's going across the line in an official capacity before 12 o'clock to eject the parties who were breaking the law, some of the decisions were rendered against him and in Hall's favor, Hall claiming that Mr. Potter had exceeded his authority and thereby forfeited his right to the land.

After winning the case in the Interior Department and receiving his patent to the land, Mr. Hall's opponents attacked him in the courts, winning their case before the district court and the Supreme Court of the Territory of Oklahoma.

But Mr. Potter being one of those fellows who never gives up, appealed to the United States Supreme Court and won.

He is now in California collecting pupils for his school, and his many friends will be glad to congratulate him on his success when he returns.—Statesman.

Base Ball Team Organized.

A base ball team has been organized, known as the Chemawa second team. This team will practice hard for a while then they will be ready to play the national game. Mr. H. E Mann, the manager, is anxious to have a snappy second team. He will have a second team that the first team will be proud of if the players will do their part. Moses Raub the captain is a good worker, he plays the third base like an old timer. They are proud of having a south paw who does the twirling.

The cup-defender Reliance was launched at Bristol, R. I., last Saturday.